

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September

Fri 25th
End of Term 3

Sat 26th Sep - Sun 11th October
School Holidays

October

Mon 12th
Students First Day Back

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd
Book Week - Curious Minds, Curious
Creatures

Mon 19th - Wed 21st
Year 11 ATAR Camp

Wed 21st - Thurs 22nd
Year 8 Curtin AHEAD

Mon 26th
Valedictory

Tues 27th - Thurs 29th
Year 7/9 Adventure Recreation Camp

November

Fri 13th
Year 11's Last Day



CASP Students shine at WCHS

Over a period of 3 days, our Year 9/10 CASP Studio students completed 2 murals at the Rockingham Police Station working with Sen. Sgt Neville Beard who saw their work at the PCYC. Find out more information on page 4.



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



Welcome to our last Bulletin for Term 3. We have had a very busy last few weeks of term with many major events on the calendar. You will find many photos in this edition with a focus on some whole school events and of course the Year 12 Ball. The Ball was held on Friday the 4th September at Fraser's Restaurant in Kings Park. We were very fortunate to be able to actually celebrate this annual event as some schools were not able to hold their School Ball due to COVID-19 and restrictions. Our students looked fabulous and made us very proud.

We had our R U OK? Day on Thursday 10th September which was well attended by many community groups. This is an important calendar event and I am incredibly grateful for the support our community gives our school each year. Students were able to speak with agencies, ask questions and collect brochures and supporting information throughout the day.

R U OK? Day was followed by our very popular 'Warnbro Day' on Wednesday 16th September. This year the sun shone and made it a very pleasant day out on the oval. It was fantastic to see our students and staff get into the spirit and support their factions by wearing some very creative costumes. I would like to congratulate the winning team, Stirling, who were the overall stars on the day.

As I write this, staff are finalising preparations for some events later this week. The last Friday of this term is the very last formal school day for our Year 12 students. They have finally reached the end of their journey with us and will be commencing the next chapter in their lives. Our Year 12 farewell will commence with the student breakfast, followed by the Street Farewell, which is a well ingrained Warnbro tradition. This is where the staff and students line the internal street of the school and clap (very loudly) to acknowledge our Year 12s. It is a celebration which is very moving, with lots of smiles, though some tears too.

Despite formal classes finishing, some of our Year 12 students will return to continue preparations and revision for their ATAR exams which take place in Term 4. I wish our students all the best in the preparation and for the exams themselves. Along with the ATAR teachers, I will be thinking 'of them and for them' during this period.

Term 4 usually rushes past and we start looking ahead to 2021. We will be having a Staff Development Day on Friday 20th November where staff will be focussing heavily on curriculum planning and the Executive Team will be continuing our whole school Fogarty Improvement planning, setting up for smooth sailing during 2021.

The holidays are only a few sleeps away. I know the students and staff are ready to start relaxing and taking some time out to slow down. Our school life is fast paced, controlled by hourly bells, tight schedules and busy calendars. So, students, staff and our families, look after yourselves and ensure you do take time to slow down and enjoy the break.

All the best,

Cindy



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

YOUR LOCAL. VOCAL STARS

Two star students, Fa'tima and Jasmine surprised us all after we received a call from their mother, saying they had gotten through to the next round of the Vocal Stars auditions.

Vocal Star performers of all ages learn from Pop Stars to Grammy award-winning producers and jump-start their career in the music business by preparing them for the opportunity of a lifetime – the chance to be signed by a record label and represented by a talent management agency.

Fa'tima and Jasmine auditioned back in June/ July from the comfort of their home due to COVID-19 singing Memories by Maroon 5. Out of 300+ other young stars, they were contacted to say they got into the next round and this will be aired on 18-21 February 2021, keep an eye out on our Facebook page.



KIC IMEN PROGRAM

David joined the KIC iMEN program which is run by the Kwinana Industries Council.

During the program students get to visit a range of industries, meet employees in many roles and providing an opportunity for young males to see what industry really looks like. Students attend a number of workshops that give them the valuable skills and tools required as they prepare for their place in the workforce.

"The iMEN project run by Kwinana Industries Council was a great experience. It helped me make a more defined decision on what career path to take, showed us the opportunities available and how we can make the most of them. We met many people in Industry, was shown around Crushing services, did volunteer work, resumes, interviewing and networking techniques, plus so much more. All of these will help me throughout my life. Thank you KIC." - David



CASP MURAL

Our recent mural completed at the Rockingham Police Station was created in two parts, one part to reflect the community and the other to reflect our natural and cultural environment.

The class designed the first concept through drawing silhouette like vector images of people that represent either themselves, someone in their family or an occupation they aspire to one day achieve. This created a simple yet diverse artwork, representational of the diversity found within the Rockingham community.

The second part was focused around the students creating patterns that might hold significance to them or abstractions of how they see the Rockingham coastline. This resulted in the students creating patterns that reflect the ocean through curvy wave like patterns, the land through contour like patterns and the connectedness we all have with our environment through puzzle pieces that break away down the wall.

This wall was a great opportunity for our Creative Arts Specialist Program (CASP) students to develop their own understanding and skill of creating large scale artworks but also work and engage in a public forum. Art is something that evokes a response from its viewers so completing work of this calibre is a great conversation starter for our students to help build their capacity to engage with the wider community and also be proud of their work. Also, a special mention to Ashlee Dagnall for all the work she put into this mural going above and beyond to ensure a delightful final product.

Adam Cicanese



YEAR 12 BALL 2020

On the evening of Friday 4 September, our Year 12's had their School Ball. Held at Frasers in Kings Park, the most beautiful setting with an outlook of the Perth CBD. 90 Students and over 20 staff came together to dine and dance the night away.

The rains held off so that photos could be taken and drinks could be enjoyed before being seated. All of our Year 12's looked stunning, every last one of them and the staff looked pretty good too!



CASP Incursion

During Week 7, our Year 7-10 CASP Students participated in a three-day incursion where they worked with industry professionals across a range of areas. The CASP Incursion was aimed at engaging our CASP students in the Arts as a means of building a culture of well-rounded and strong artists at Warnbro Community High School.

We were lucky enough to have Black Swan State Theatre Company work with our students, engaging them in the art of physical theatre, refining their musical theatre skills, as well as running a series of vocal training classes. International cruise ship dancer Bonnie McGeady worked with the performance students to create a series of works especially for our students! Look out for these as they will be performed as part of our Semester 2 CASP Showcase.

Barking Gecko Theatre Company explored movement and physical theatre with our Year 7 and 8 students. It was fantastic to see the students shine! The artists were very impressed with the improvisation skills exhibited by our students. Barking Gecko Theatre Company also worked with our 9/10 Performance students, running a Shakespeare workshop. This was an opportunity for our students to expand their theatre knowledge and experience something they had not attempted before.

Our Studio students worked hard to refine their visual art skills through a series of workshops run by professional artist Charlotte Gordon. Students used acrylic paint to construct a paw'trait of their pets and/or favourite animals. It was amazing to see these come to life throughout the day as the students worked diligently to create vibrant and colourful works. Our Studio students also worked with professional artist Cristina Sevelj in a Shadow Arts workshop where they experimented with self-portraits and collage.

We also ran a series of shorter workshops across the three days. Here students worked with our own professional photographer Mr Nalapraya to experiment with the use of colour in photography. Our Year 7 and 8 students worked with Mr Cicanese to experiment with aerosol art. Works from both these workshops will be displayed as part of our Semester 2 CASP Showcase. Students also worked with Mrs Kirkwood and Ms Crow to refine their stage hair and makeup skills. We also look forward to seeing these skills in action during the Semester 2 CASP Showcase! A big thank you to Mr Donaldson who coordinated the BBQ on our final day, the breakfast wraps were a big hit with the CASP students, and the sausage sizzle was also delicious!

Our CASP Students worked incredibly hard over the three days to learn new skills, refine their talents, and present their work to the cohort on the final day. All staff were very proud of their efforts, well done CASP Students! We cannot wait to see your amazing works and performances presented at the Semester 2 CASP Showcase.





WARNBRO WEDNESDAYS

Over the last few weeks we have had some exciting themes for our Warnbro Wednesdays for Term 3.

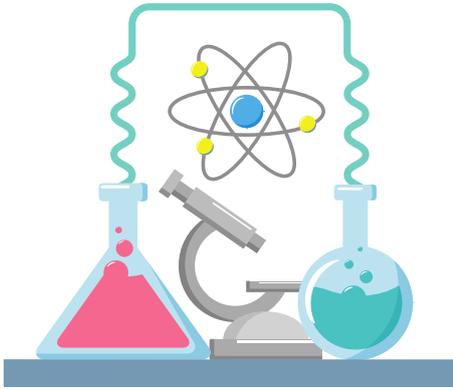
Our Warnbro Wednesday themes have been:

- Week 5: Science Week
- Week 6 Sportstars
- Week 7: Welcome to Spring
- Week 8: R U OK? Day



Science

WEEK 2020



To celebrate Science Week, Mrs Pilkington's Year 7 classes completed an escape room challenge. Students from 7.4 investigated the physics, geology, biology and chemistry of The Deep Blue and raced against the clock to crack the code.



During Science week, we had guest speaker Steve Goodlich who is a Marine Park Ranger come in to speak to our Year 10 students as to what being a Marine Park Ranger entails. Steve brought a few interesting items with him which are pictured, including a dolphin skull, sea lion skull and baleen plates from a whales mouth!



During Science week, Dr Braconnier, Mr Rett and Mr Doyle had a video conference. There were 3 classes involved and they all met on Zoom to listen to Dr Oded Shrier, a researcher in nuclear energy. This was fitting our curriculum very well as, this term, we learned about kinetic and potential energy, and how energy can be converted into different other types. This was a brilliant example of the conversion of nuclear energy into steam and electrical energy.



Some of our students joined Mr Rett to conduct an experiment during their recess time. Using a water bottle, elastic bands, erasers and a straw the students looked at how a submarine worked and how it submerges and rises.



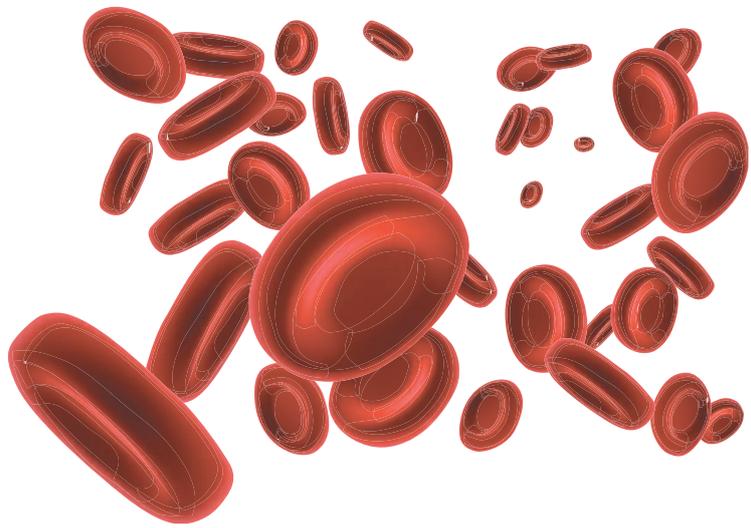
HARRY PERKINS INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL RESEARCH

Over the course of Term 3 our year 11 and year 12 ATAR Human Biology classes had the opportunity to attend Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research, to participate in 2 different workshops based on what they have been learning throughout the term. The institute is an impressive building that houses the laboratories of several renowned medical researchers, as well as offering hands-on experiences for school and community groups.

During their workshop "Spectacular Stem Cells", Year 11 students were given insight into the developments and progress in stem cell research surrounding inherited retinal disease. They were then lucky enough to immerse themselves in a real working lab, using the latest equipment to culture liver stem cells to be used for research into cancer treatment. They worked alongside young scientists who gave them an insight into their achievements and the possible careers for human biology students once leaving school.

The year 12 ATAR Human Biology students attended the PCR (polymerase chain reaction) workshop. This excursion is a highlight of the Unit 4 course and allows the students the opportunity to experience hands-on, real-life techniques with state-of-the-art equipment. Students benefited from being able to put into practise the techniques that they had been learning about in class. They successfully made millions of copies of human DNA and analysed the genetic sequence to identify patients with melanoma mutations.

WA Harry Perkins researchers have developed a drug that these melanoma patients respond to and it stops the growth of melanoma without the need for chemotherapy or radiotherapy. To learn from and be inspired by these world leaders is an experience that will stay with our students for a long time and may even have an impact on their journeys beyond high school!





Industry Links News

Earlier in March, Honey and Natasha were selected to participate in a 7-day iWOMEN program run by the Kwinana Industries Council (KIC).

The program was created for women to learn about the opportunities for females in the industry as well as build on their job skills, such as how to create a perfect resume, cover letter, and how to lay out a portfolio. The KIC iWOMEN program has sparked interests in professions such as boiler making, electrician, fabricator and interior designing.

On the 17th August 2020, Honey and Natasha along with 22 other girls from different schools graduated from the program, ready for the next step with a head start.



During Week 6, 16 of our Year 10 boys participated in Try a Trade Bricklaying & Rendering at SouthMetro TAFE.

These students will be following the building and construction pathway through Year 11 & 12 in the Industry Links program.

Congratulations, the feedback from your lecturer was outstanding and you have done yourselves and the school proud.

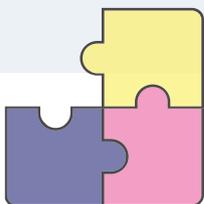
Good Luck with the next stage developing future pathways.



IN THE CLASSROOM

Our Children, Family and Community Year 12 students had the privilege of having little visitors as part of their learning.

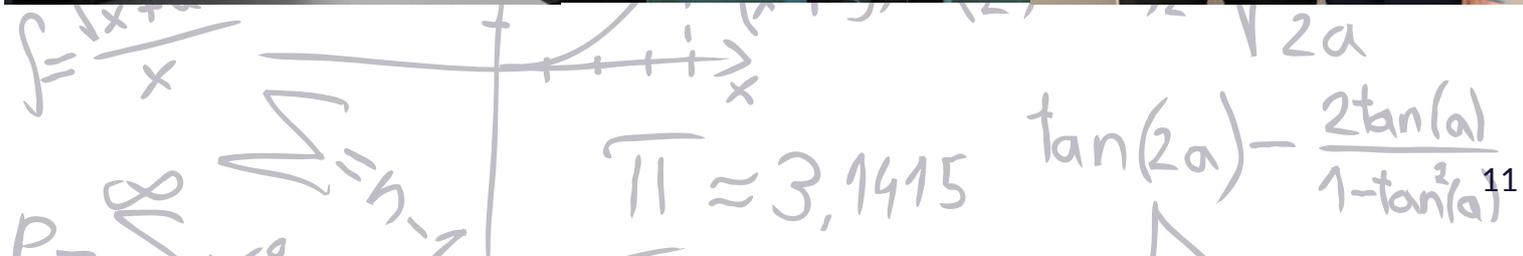
Our Year 12 students worked with young children on Cognitive Development Activities at different stages, our students had to record the child's response to each one to see how differently they think to how we think as adults.



Dr Braconnier's Year 9 Mathematics students learned about area and volume. Steve from Richgro, interacted with them through a video conference call to detail how measurements are being used in the work place.

He explained that all workers at his company, from the truck driver to the person in charge of the shops or managers, were expected to use area and volume proficiently. He encouraged them to work hard at school to be able to do their dream job later.

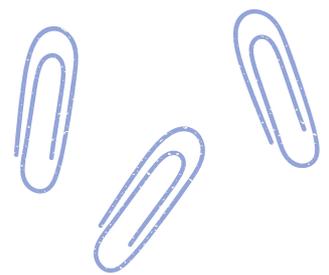
After the session, our students wrote him a letter to thank him for his time, here you will see Dr Braconnier with Steve with his letter from the students.



IN THE CLASSROOM

In Mrs Grange's class, students finalised their Podcast study by recording their own Podcast.

This group of students decided to develop an original idea focussing on a parody of H.R.H Prince Charles and H.R.H Duchess of Cornwall. They were being interviewed and created havoc during the interview process. They really enjoyed the process and in their own words, they were really 'proud of how it went'.



During weeks 3 & 5 our Year 9 LEAP students participated in the Year 9 Curtin AHEAD Program. This program aims to highlight the changing nature of the workforce and the impact technology is having on the current labour market. Students completed a variety of modules that looked at in demand employability skills and enabled them to apply and extend these skills to prepare them for life beyond school.

HOLDEN SHEPPARD

Over the duration of Week 6, we have had the pleasure of welcoming Holden Sheppard to Warnbro Community High School.

Holden Sheppard is our writer-in-residence, the 2019 winner of the Western Australian Premier's Prize for an emerging writer, who worked with our LEAP and ATAR students.

Year 8 Leap students spent the week working with Holden Sheppard and in the last session the weeks writing became a flash fiction piece. They spent the week looking at objects and having a stream of consciousness writing.

Throughout the time Holden joined WCHS, Ms Powley ran a Creative Writing and Original Artwork Competition. The categories included:

- Flash Fiction for Year 7-8 students
- Through the window - Imaginative or interpretive for Year 9-10 students
- Original Voice - Imaginative or Interpretive for Year 11-12 students
- Original Creative work
- Original Artwork.



Our winners of the Creative Writing and Original Artwork competition:

Year 7-8 Flash Fiction

- 1st – Dakota Year 8 – ‘Alone and Lost’
- 2nd – Michelle Year 8 – ‘Those who can’t be saved’
- 3rd – Celia Year 8 – ‘Death Count’

Year 9-10

- 1st – Trinity Year 9 – ‘Paranoid’

Year 11-12

- 1st – Victoria Year 11 – ‘The Chance of Death’
- 2nd – Bianca Year 11 – ‘Him or Her’
- 3rd – Anjelin Year 11 – ‘Wasn’t Him’

Original Artwork

- 1st – Mitchell Year 11 – ‘Sunset’
- 2nd – Putere Year 9 – ‘Charcoal Skull’
- 3rd – Em Year 8 – ‘The Pain behind Love’

Congratulations to all our students who participated!



To start R U OK? Day off - our staff welcomed our students into the school grounds layered in yellow, our student leaders were serving yellow pikelets and asking the question on everyones mind... R U OK?



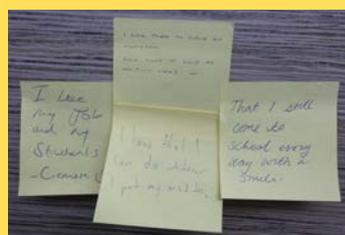
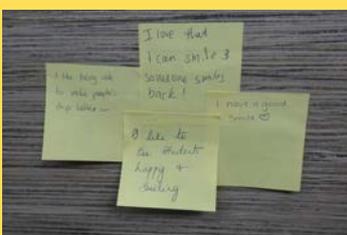
Our students morning started off correctly, with our Student Leaders putting on a Chill R U OK? Day breakfast for their fellow peers serving custard and fruit cups, fresh fruit and mango smoothies (which were a favourite)!

Throughout R U OK? Day students, staff and parents had the opportunity to walk through our Expo which consisted of community services such as:

- Anglicare
- Headspace
- City of Rockingham
- Act, Belong, Commit
- Carers WA and more.



They all spoke to our students, listened to and answered the questions we had for them and we thank them for joining us!



During our R U OK? Day Expo, we had an Act Belong Commit Board where students and staff could write words of kindness, encouragement, happiness or something they like about themselves.

Here are just a few of the great notes our students and staff posted.

Warnbro Day 2020

Wednesday 16th September we celebrated Warnbro Day, which can best be described as an athletics carnival held in a festival like atmosphere.

The weather was fantastic, the students turned up in their faction colours and everyone enjoyed themselves by engaging in both athletic events and novelty activities such as 100m and 200m races, Shot Put, Discus and Vortex Javelin. The fun activities were Novelty Games, Dodgeball, Basketball Competition, Laser Tag, Silent Disco, Boat Building, Paper Plane Building, Big Games and Handball.

A big thank you to all our staff who organised and supervised, our Maths team for the Sausage Sizzle, Technology for the fairy floss and bake sale.

Student participation and behaviour was extremely positive and resulted in the fantastic vibe that was felt throughout the day.



WCHS Surf Club

The Warnbro Community High School (WCHS) vs Living Waters Surf Competition took place at Secret Harbour this month. It's the third event to be held since it was launched last year. 24 students, Year 8 – 12 from both schools, took part in the competition in excellent conditions with head-high waves and offshore winds.

The event aims to encourage a friendly rivalry between the two schools in a competitive but supportive environment.

WCHS Surf Club began in 2015 by the school's Adventure Recreation Coordinator Shane Stevens; "I saw an opportunity to enable more students to have access to surfing as a sport and leisure activity. The students have taken up the challenge with enthusiasm and commitment," he said.

WCHS won the champion school this year and the winners of the two categories and team's competition are listed below:

Danielle – 1st place Female Green Wave Guru

Levi – 1st place Male White Water Warrior

Els – 1st place Female White Water Warrior

Jacob - The Male Charger

Tara – The Female Charger

Jeremy - Best Wipe Out

WCHS – Teams Relay Winner

WCHS – Overall Champion School



Top 5 online safety tips for kids

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Set up your device to protect your information.

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Explore safely & tell an adult if you see anything online that makes you feel yuck.

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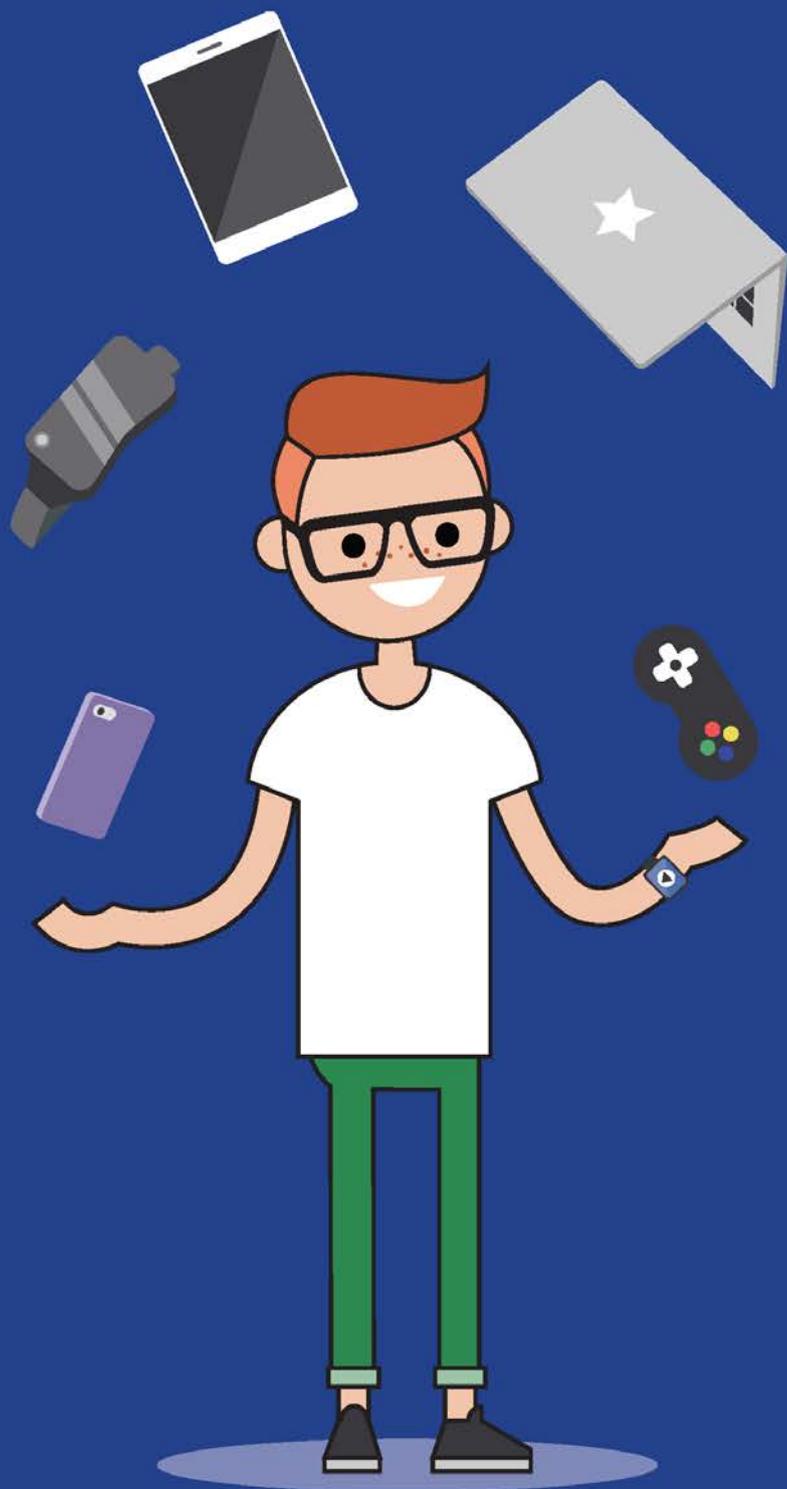
Limit who can contact you when you're playing games.

4

Stop all contact with anyone online who asks you to do anything you don't want to do. Report and block them.

5

Ask for help if anything online is bothering you.





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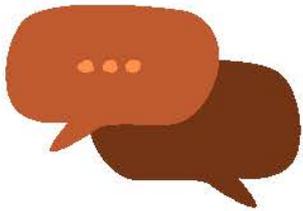
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Q. Can I be at school while completing the cadetship?

A. No – the cadetship is full time employment.

Q. Is it a permanent position?

A. It is an initial 12 month contract with a possible extension to 24 months.

Q. Can I be placed in a regional location?

A. Yes you can be placed in a regional location – you will be required to come to Perth four times a year with travel and accommodation costs covered.

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